

Ballona Creek Watershed Management Committee  
Permittee Meetings, FY 2007-2008  
City of West Hollywood comments

The Ballona Creek Watershed group meets quarterly, this year in Culver City then moving to Los Angeles County offices. There was a change in leadership, from John Hunter representing Culver City, to Janet Rodriguez with LACPW.

This year there was much discussion about the upcoming new Los Angeles County permit to be based largely on the Ventura County permit. We also looked ahead at many of the expected changes from the permit including Limited Impact Development; Dr. Youn Sim presented information on the "Low Impact Development for Unincorporated Los Angeles County" that is presently under consideration by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works. For construction BMPs, there was a greater emphasis on infiltration; Bill DePoto/LACDPW and Filterra gave a presentation based on their installations in Marina del Rey. Other key issues included Sanitary Sewer Overflow updates, status of TMDLs and changes in SUSMP requirements with greater emphasis on infiltration devices.

The cities work well together and share best practices on a regular basis. The group also benefits from participation from the Regional Board and environmental groups.